## ONE MAN WAS SEVERELY BEATEN

Officials of Miners' Union in Conference at Hazleton.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, announced

SHENANDOAH, Pa. October 24.-Three hundred strikers held up a trolley car at Mahanoy City this morning that was carrying about forty men to work at St. Nicholas colliery. These men were supposed to be employed at dead work, which the union does not try to prevent, but the strikers man of a learned that they were engaged in preparing coal for the market. John Fisher, a carpenter, who was on the car, resisted the efforts of the strikers to prevent him from work, and he was severely beaten. All the others returned to their homes without a

#### IMPORTANT CONFERENCE ON. Official of Mine Workers' Union Meet

at Hazleton. HAZLETON, Pa., October 24.-The meeting of the national executive board of the United Mine Workers and the officials of the three anthracite districts whose men have been on strike for over five weeks began today, and is the most important held since the strike was inaugurated. This meeting, it is believed, will take positive action as to whether the strike shall be declared off at a certain time. It is not thought that the official notice ending the contest will be issued at this meeting. The conference, it is understood, will not be concluded today. It is the intention of President Mitchell to make a thorough can-President Mitchell to make a thorough can-vass of the whole situation. The action taken yesterday by the superintendents of the several coal companies at Scranton in adding 2½ per cent to the car or ton in or-der to make up the 10 per cent net increase in wages is not thoroughly understood at strike headquarters here, and none of the officials will venture an opinion until they satisfy themselves as to its meaning.

#### Preferred by the Miners.

making up the 10 per cent by adding to the car rather than by figuring it out entirely in the powder reduction, yet they think the 25g per cent is not quite enough panies, in granting the 212 per cent in crease on the car or ton, figure that in lowering the price of powder to \$1.50, an additional 7½ per cent is given to the men, thus making the 10 per cent net advance. The notices posted by those companies will be carefully analyzed, and it is be-leved that on the result of this analysis iepends the early ending of the strike. The of this analysis habor leaders are anxiously awaiting an of-ficial announcement by the big coal companies in the Lackawanna region, guaranteeing the payment of the 10 per cent advance until April. It is understood that these companies have unofficially stated that they will continue the increase until the continue the that time, but the strike leaders would rather have them take the statement offi-

### DR. J. N. CRAIG DIES SUDDENLY.

## Was Addressing Virginia Presby-terian Synod When Stricken.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., October 24.-The morning session of the Virginia synod was brought to a tragic close at 11 o'clock by the sudden death of Rev. J. N. Craig. D. D., of Atlanta, the veteran secretary of the board of home missions of the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church.

Under special order of business Dr.

Cradg was addressing the synod on the
subject of home missions, and especially
on the invalid fund. He had been speaking about half an hour. Suddenly he said, ing about haif an hour. Saddenly he said,
"Brethren, I can say no more," and staggered to the nearest chair. He was placed
upon the floor unconscious, and several
physicians of the church surrounded him,
but life was extinct. After an eloquent
prayer by Rev. Dr. F. M. Wood the synod adjourned forthwith until 2:30 p.m.

#### LABOR TROUBLE SETTLED. Work on Goyernment Building in Chi-

# cago to Be Resumed.

CHICAGO, October 24.-By the signing of a three years' agreement with the Structural Iron Workers yesterday the labor troubles in Chicago, so far as they affected the construction of the new post office building here, have been settled. Work is to begin on the big structure at once with a large force of men

## OREGON ON SAFE SIDE.

#### Will Go Republican From 5,000 to 10,000 Plurality. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

CHICAGO October 24.-Chairman Steel of the Oregon state committee has sent the national republican committee the following prediction as to that state:

"Oregon is sure to give McKinley and Roosevelt a good majority, no less than 5.000, probably 10.000. Things are coming our way fast. We have the enemy on the run, and no telling what the majority will be by November 6. It will depend alto-gether upon how full a vote is polled. Early in the campaign there were several dangers to be encountered, but they have been met, and we are now on the safe side."

## TO BE TRIED IN A CAGE.

## Negro Prisoner at Cleveland is a Des-

perate Character. CLEVELAND, Ohio, October 24.-An Iron cage will be built in the criminal court room for Edward Ruthven, the negro who will be placed on trial there next Monday for the murder of Patrolman Shipp. Ruthven is a desperate man. At the time shipp was killed he escaped from a score of policemen who were pursuing him in a long, running pistol fight. If he had not been overcome by strategy he would doubtless have killed some of the men who later captured him in Indianapolis, Ind. He openly declares that he will shoot Sergeant of De tectives Doran at the first opportunity. The cage will be provided to prevent a tigerish outbreak on his part in the court

## Columbus Presbytery Explains.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, October 24.-The Columbus presbytery decided yesterday by a practically unanimous vote to recommend to the committee of fifteen recently appointed by the Presbyterian general assembly to consider the question of revision of the creed of the church a supplemental ex-planatory statement of the confession, pre-pared by the Rev. Dr. E. D. Morris of this city.

#### British Officer and Party Killed. SIMLA. October 24.-Lieut. Hennessy and forty-five Sikhs were killed in a brush with

#### Mansud raiders at Jandola yesterday. Sloan in Second Place.

LONDON, October 24.-The Cambridge shire stakes was won by Mr. J. C. Sullivan's Berrill, at the Newmarket Houghton meeting today. Codoman, on which Tod Sloan had the mount, finished second, and Good Luck, ridden by Lester Reiff, was third.

Patrick Rice Commits Suicide. SAN RAFAEL, Cal., October 24.-Patrick Here, formerly one of the most famous of American race horse trainers, has committed suicide near this city by taking laudanum. Rice, who trained Ten Broeck and several other famous thoroughbreds, was one of the first horsemen to go to England with an American stable.

METHODIST CHURCH SOCIETY MEET ING IN CHICAGO.

the United States in the

Orient.

Church raised its "Twentieth century

thanks offering" of \$200,000. New pledges

amounting to over \$100,000 were reported

last night at the session of the South

Park Church. The corresponding secretary,

that previously \$100,000 had been raised,

making an aggregate of \$200,000, the full

Preparatory to the pledges, Mrs. J. W.

Campbell of New York and Mrs. J. R.

Woodcock of Nebraska addressed the con-

The convention also made the yearly applications for the maintenance of mission

\$2,500. At the first evening session of the thirty-

second annual meeting of the woman's

were delivered by Miss Virginia Murdock, who recently returned from China, and Rev. John Henry Barrows, president of Oberlin College.

who recently returned from China, and Rev. John Henry Barrows, president of Oberlin College.

Dr. Barrows dwelt upon the fact that the

United States is the most potent factor in the civilization of the orient, and said that

it is simply inertiable that America should extend its commerce to the ends of the earth no matter whether the question of

earth no matter whether the question of the safety of missionaries enters into con-sideration. He said the chief cause of the dideration of the Chinese against the

recent uprising of the Chinese against the

foreigners was selfishness and robbery on

"We may well rejoice," he continued, "that in these later days America means far more than ever to the world of the orient. When I was in China an old side-

wheel steamer bearing the American flag

was the only memorial and measure of our national greatness in Chinese waters. After our victory over Spain the mighty Oregon and victorious Olympia became the symbols of American power, and today we are told our flag for the first time is respected along a coast line of 5,000 miles, on which dwells half the human race."

Omission Was According to An Under-

standing With Admiral Barker.

So far as can be ascertained, no formal

protest has been lodged with any depart-

ment of the government in this city with

respect to the action of the British cruiser

of New York Monday without firing the

national government will take official cog-

nizance of the incident.

In explanation of the action of the Brit-

CONNECTICUT'S PROTEST.

Navy by a Monitor.

necticut against naming one of the new

monitors after that state the Secretary of

the Navy has practicaly decided to select

to a higher dignity in the naval register

been honored in the naming of battleships.

that the monitors are formidable armored

PAPERS RECEIVED.

Requisition for Parties Who Have Left This Jurisdiction.

The requisition papers in the cases of C.

M. F. Bush and one Johnson, alias Du Bois,

two men who are charged with having

the Supreme Court of the District of Co-

The accused men were released from cus-

tody Monday afternoon, under a decision

bench warrants for the apprehension of the

persons wanted. This course may be followed in the present instance, but the ac-cused men left the jurisdiction of the Dis-trict courts immediately after Justice Bradley's decision and are not likely to re-

REGISTRATION IN DELAWARE.

Every Indication That It is Favorable to McKinley.

WILMINGTON, Del., October 24.-The

registration in this state is still a matter

of question. Mr. Billany, chairman of the

republican first district committee, and Mr

F. S. Bradley, chairman of the union re-

publican first district committee, got to-

gether last night to compare notes, and,

strange as it may seem, they agreed in the

1,000 more than their opponents on Saturday last, but there are no figures to prove

this. In fact, while they did do themselves

proud, their total would not exceed two or three hundred in excess of their opponents.

Messrs. Billiany and Bradley have issued the following statement: "We have com-pared the returns of the five days' registra-tion made to us by our committeemen, and we claim, unhesitatingly, that the republi-

cans registered a majority of the men qualified to vote on each of the five days of registration."

While such statements are purely partisan, it is not to be denied that they are very nearly correct. The figures of the two oppositions fortiens, from the partisation of the two oppositions.

opposing factions (republican) are practi-cally the same. It is apparent that all of the republicans are working together here in Wilmington, and the indications are that there will be a handsome plurality for Mc-

there will be a handsome plurality for inc-kinley in the city.

Tonight Mr. Bryan will speak to a polit-ical gathering in Wilmington. That he will reply to certain questions to be propounded

The democrats claim that they registered

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

vessels, like the battle ships.

lumbia this afternoon.

turn at an early date.

general conditions.

was the only memorial and measure of or

the part of the so-called Christian powers

omes in various parts of the country, as

apportionment of the society.

and its purpose.

Dr. Barrows Talks of the Prestige of The total vote in the state will be nearly 45,000, an increase of almost 7,000 from the vote of 1896, which was 38,635. The increase is largely due to the registration of young voters, and there is no indication that this vote will be against the republican CHICAGO, October 24.-The Woman's

not probable.

ticket; in fact, the young man in politics seems to be republican. Home Missionary Society of the Methodist

## WANTS NO JOINT DEBATE.

## Mr. Bryan Sends Word to Committee

in Wilmington. GEORGETOWN, Del., October 24.-In response to inquiry from Wilmington concerning a joint debate with Mr. Bryan at that place tonight the following reply was sent from his train today, and it is understood to have been inspired by him:

"Patrick Neary, Democratic Committee, Wilmington, Del.

vention on the character of the offerings "Mr. Bryan does not desire that the meetand its purpose.

Mrs. Bishop Hamilton was chosen chairman of a committee composed of Pacific coast and Honolulu women to take charge of the newly-organized work.

Mrs. E. L. Albright announced that Mrs. James Mather of Bradford, Mass., had given \$10,000 to Browning Home, Camden, S. ing tonight shall be given the appearance in any degree of a joint debate, and he can shall appear upon the platform for the purpose of asking him questions. Please communicate this at once to Mr. J. P. Nields. therefore does not desire that any republi-

"If, however, the republican state committee of Delaware will certify in writing that they desire Mr. Bryan to answer the five questions suggested by Mr. Nields, Mr. Bryan will take those questions up in his address tonight and answer them. He will submit five questions for the republican state committee to answer."

### SPEECHES BY HENRY E. DAVIS.

# nomes in various parts of the country, as follows: The Bennett Home, Clarkson, Miss., \$2,100; Harwood Home, Alburquerque, N. M., \$2,050; Las Vegas Home, Las Vegas, N. M., \$1,770; El Paso Home, El Paso, N. M., \$630; Spanish Home, Los Angeles, Cal., \$1,300; Porto Rico Home, Porto Rico, \$2,500 He Will Deliver Two in Montgomery

County, Md. The republican state central committee for Montgomery county, Md., is preparing to close the campaign in a characteristically vigorous manner. Mr. Henry E. Davis of this city, who is as widely acquainted and highly esteemed in Montgomery county as he is in his native District, will make two addresses, one at Rockville and the other at Sandy Spring. He will deliver his speech at the county seat from the court house steps next Monday night, October 28. Representative George A. Pearre will also address the gathering. The National Guard Band has been engaged and the Interstate Marching Club will be in attendance.

The meeting at Sandy Spring will be held Saturday night, November 3.

#### NOT DISPOSED TO BE HARSH.

#### Reply of Major Sylvester to Charge Against Police.

Margaret E. Cruikshanks of 1227 31st street a few days ago complained of the alleged injustice occasioned by the arrest by the police of several Italian venders of to make up the 10 per cent. These com- THE BURRIED CALL OF THE PSYCHE fruit. While she had no complaint to make of the manner of the officers in carrying out their instructions, she expressed the opinion that the Italians and Chinese, as a rule, seem to be quiet and inoffensive, and that if foreigners are to be admitted the authorities ought to encourage them to live honestly.

Psyche in entering and leaving the harbor "The laws," she added, "must be enforced and observed, but I thought that if your attention was called to this case you might usual salute. Unless some of the federal

ous to these poor people."

The matter was referred to Major Sylvester, the chief of police, who has reported to the Commissioners that there is no disposition on the part of his department to be harsh toward the fruit venders, but that the law requires that they shall keep moving, except at such times as they may be except at such times as they may be

ish warship it is stated that the custom-ary courtesies in the matter of salute, &c., were omitted in pursuance of an under-standing between the British authorities making sales.

The policemen, he states, have repeatedly advised venders against taking up stands in and about the main thoroughfares, where street cars are being operated and crowds and Rear Admiral Barker, commanding the New York navy yard. It is further explained that the visit of the Psyche was unofficial, and was made simply for the purpose of taking on board Assistant Pay-master Francis H. Roe, late of the Britare coming and going, especially on Saturare coming and going, especially on Saturday evenings. These warnings, says Major Sylvester, have gone unheeded, and it became a matter of duty on the part of the officers to see that the law was enforced. "With the limited force at hand," declares Major Sylvester, "drastic measures have to be adopted at times in order to prevent undue advantage being taken of ish ship Hermes, who was apprehended in New York, for trial in the Bermudas. Unwilling to Be Represented in the

prevent undue advantage being taken of the municipal regulations."

The Commissioners have approved Major Owing to the protest by the state of Con-Sylvester's report, and the complainant will

be so advised.

## House Tax in Madagascar.

some other state for that distinction. The United States Consul Gibbs at Tamatave, people of Connecticut based their objections Madagascar, informs the State Department on the ground that their state was entitled of a recent decree which alters the property than could possibly be conferred by a mere place. The new decree is essentially the same as the former one, except that the monitor, especially as other states, includtenantable value is reduced one-fourth ining her small neighbor, Rhode Island, had stead of one-sixth, as formerly. The tax will be 5 per cent of this value. The change is due to the situation in which Tamatave finds itself on account of the recent epi-demics of the plague. All four of the big monitors authorized by Congress were named after states of the Union, Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida and Wyoming, and so far connecteut, Florida and Wyoming, and so far Connecticut is the only state to decline the honor. The Navy Department was guided in the matter by the fact that there are not enough battleships to go around and the further fact

Gold Coming From England. NEW YORK, October 24.-Lazard Freres have \$500,000 gold on the steamship Lahn, which sailed from Southampton today, and \$1,000,000 gold on the steamship Teutonic, which sailed from Liverpool today. Total engagements for this firm since the present movement began are \$4,500,000

## French Transport Sunk.

PARIS, October 24.-The ministry of ma rine confirms the report (from Kobe, Japan) of the sinking of the French transport Carswindled Robert T. Brewer of Chicago out avane in the Inland sea, after being in colof \$675 by means of a confidence game, and who were arrested here last Friday, arlision with the Japanese liner Yamaguchi Maru. An ensign and two sailors were rived in the city today and will probably drowned. The Caravane was a slow trans be presented to Chief Justice Bingham of port, recently used to convey war material between French, Corsican and Algierian

## tody Monday afternoon, under a decision by Justice Bradley in habeas corpus proceedings instituted in their behalf by Attorney Campbell Carrington. The men were arrested on a telegram from the chief of police of Chicago. Justice Bradley decided that under the laws of the District and in the absence of sufficient evidence of crime, there were no grounds upon which the men could be held pending the arrival of requisition papers. The judge said there was no such offense as "confidence game" known to common law. The requisition papers include an affidavit by Mr. Brewer detailing the swindie of which he was a victim and explaining the workings of the "confidence game." It is customary in cases of requisitions received here for the chief justice to issue bench warrants for the apprehension of the Fire at Dunavant, Kan. DUNAVANT, Kan., October 24.-Fire early today destroyed the business portion of this town, including a hotel, general store and the post office. Three residences were also burned. The losses are estimated at \$50,000, partially insured.

#### Secretary Root at Canton. CANTON, Ohio, October 24.-Secretary of War and Mrs. Root arrived here today for a few days' visit at the McKinley home. President McKinley and Secretary Cortel-

you drove to the station to meet them. Hearing in the Ferrell Case. MARYSVILLE, Ohio, October 24 .- Judge Melhorn today continued hearing in the trial of Rosslyn Ferrell, charged with killing Express Messenger Lane, until tomorrow, when it is expected Juror Kirk will be able to resume his duties.

## Senator Hanna Will Attend. CHICAGO, October 24.—Senator Hanna will depart for Mansfield, Ohio, at midnight to attend the Sherman funeral tomorrow, returning to Chicago tomorrow night after a conference with President McKinley.

#### Anent Senator Jones' Request. CHICAGO, October 24.-In regard to Senator Jones' statement of his demand on President for the secret instructions to the Paris peace commission Senator Hanna said that it is a matter within the ju-risdiction of the war office, and with which the President probably will not in-

#### Files Petition in Bankruptcy. Charles D. Volland, a carpenter and con

tractor, of 418 L street northwest, today filed a petition in bankruptcy, with Henry K. Beck as attorney. He states his liabilities at \$7,428.77, with assets at \$350, the latter being personal property claimed as

## Wife Sued for Divorce.

Peter Bingham has sued his wife, Lula Bingham, for divorce, alleging desertion and unfaithfulness. He is represented by Thos. L. Jones.

James Ross of Orial alley was today co victed in the Police Court of assaulting John Montgomery by striking him in the side with the blunt end of an ax, and Judge Kimball fined him \$20, with penalty of sixty days' imprisonment for

# by the chairman of the republican county committee is doubtful, although it is announced that he will read the interrogatories and answer them. The drift of political sentiment is undoubtedly republican, and while everything points to a plurality of the republican ticket of from 2,000 to 2,500, it is possible that that figure may be reduced. Possible, but not probable. The STOLE \$700,000 the morning mail, of which he was in charge, a sufficient number of cash items to cover the aggregate amount of his defalcation and add them to the exchanges for the clearing house received during the preceding day. The examination showed the total amount correct, but \$680,000 of the items had been taken from the morning related with previous day's and listed with previous day's

First National Bank,

## HE WAS THE NOTE TELLER

Stealings Extended Through a Period of Several Years. HE IS NOW A FUGITIVE

NEW YORK, October 24.-Up to 11 o'clock today Cornelius L. Alvord, the defaulting teller of the First National Bank, had not been arrested, and it was said no news had been received of him. Mrs. Al-vord left her home in Mount Vernon and came to this city this morning. It is said she does not intend to return to Mount Vernon.

It was learned today that when the Alvords went to Saratoga last summer they took with them all their horses and carriages. It took two cars to transport the outfit. The horses were blooded animals and the vehicles were all of the handsomest description. One set of harness alone is said to have cost \$1,500, and everything about the stable equipment was on the same scale.

Vice President Hine of the First National Bank, in answer to a number of questions put to him in regard to Alvord and the general situation, said that the bank had cleared up the whole matter of the defalca-tion to its own satisfaction. This was in-terpreted to mean that just how and when Alvord had taken the money had been dis-covered by the officials. Mr. Hine said he did not care to talk about the matter.

President Baker, who arrived at the bank from Tuxedo early today, would not say anything to inquirers, except to refer them to the vice president.

#### Bank Examiner at Work.

Bank Examiner Charles A. Hanna was closeted with United States District Attorney General Burnett for nearly fifteen minutes. When he left he refused to give any details of the conversation. He denied, however, the published statement that he had said that the embezzlement was the result of a conspiracy.

From another source it was learned that

he had practically presented all of the case that he could at this time, and that if warrants had not been asked for already, they will be very soon.

Mr. Hanna said that he would probably

return to the United States district attorney's office late in the afternoon.

A squad of detectives is still on guard at the Alvord home in Mount Vernon, and it is expected that the horses and carriages and other property of the defaulting teller will be attached. The detectives are acting in the interest of the bank, and as soon as it can be definitely learnd how much of the property is in the name of Alvord it will be

Later in the day Vice President Hine said that the note teller's peculations dated back about five years. He said that the figures mentioned. \$700,000, represented the maxfind a means to make the burden less oner- imum of the embezzlements, an dthe short-

attached.

First National Bank of New York city, is a fugitive and a defaulter to the extent of

The announcement of the defalcation, which was made yesterday afternoon, creat-

which was made yesterday afternoon, created the utmost excitement in the financial district of the city. A statement by the bank was as follows:

"The note teller, who has been in the employ of the First National Bank for many years, is a defaulter to a large amount. His operations have continued for a considerable period, and have been skillfully concealed through a manipulation of his balance book. The discovery was made by one of the bank's employes a few days after one of the bank's employes a few days after the completion of an examination of the bank by the United States bank examiners. During the continuance of his peculations periodical examinations have been made by several distinct corps of examiners representing the controller's department, all expert accountants, and the bank has also had frequent independent examinations, neither of which has developed any irregulations. of which has developed any irregu-The aggregate of the false entries larity. amounting to \$700,000, has been charged off fund, without diminishing the surplus and profits of the bank, as reported in its last published statement. It is expected that the shortage will be materially reduced by

#### a substantial sum, of which there is fall prospect of recovery." Directors Had No Suspicion.

Alvord had been with the bank for twenty years, and was one of the most trusted men in the institution. His stealings extended over a long period, but no suspicion of the truth was known until ten days ago, when he sent word that he was ill at his home. After he had been away for a day or two the bank put experts at work and some irregularities were found. As the experts delved deeper and deeper into Alvord's books the extent of the robbery began to dawn on the office til they were overwhelmed to find ached the enormous figure of \$700,000 hether that sum is all that he took is not

Whether that sum is all that he took is not yet known.

It has not, yet developed how the note teller was able to put his hands on so much money. But one of the directors is reported to have said that Alvord was enabled to take such a large sum because as note teller he was in charge of the mail. This he opened every morning, and he had ample opportunity to abstract notes, drafts and checks, as well as money. Of course, he had to be especially skillful to make his accounts balance. This director admitted that he was at a loss to account for the failure of the bank examiners to for the fallure of the bank examiners to discover Alvord's irregularities at their last

#### examination. Forrest Raynor is in charge of the national bank examiners' office in New York Lost Money Gambling.

What Alvord did with all the cash is also a mystery as yet, except that, as usual in such cases, it is said that a large amount of it went in stock speculation. One story is that he had lost \$75,000 in one deal, but what deal it was is not stated.

It has been discovered that during the summer Alvord visited Saratoga, where he cut a great figure, spending money like a prince. He rented a cottage, kept a fine stable of horses, and, besides playing the races, is said to have frequented gambling In New York Alvord was known as a

man of very regular habits. Among his as-sociates he was looked up to and on Wall sociates he was hown as "Happy Alvord," be-cause of his cheery ways. His home was in the suburb of Mount Vernon. This home is a magnificent place, located on Chester Hill, one of the most aristocratic sections Hill, one of the most aristocratic sections of the suburb. It is surrounded by lux-urious grounds, and there are extensive stables. Alvord has long been considered one of the big men of the town. His family entertained lavishly and gave large sums to charity. He was prominent in church circles, and his wife is considered one of the

#### most beautiful women in Mount Vernon. TELLER ALVORD'S SHORTAGE. Statement Made by Acting Controller

Mr. Kane, the acting controller of the currency, made a statement today regard-ing the heavy defalcation of the note teller of the First National Bank of New York, and commented upon the fact that the frauds had so long remained unrevealed to the experts of the controller's office. The statement is as follows:

"During the progress of the examination of the First National Bank Assistant Cashier Backus discovered that the note and exchange teller, Alvord, was short in his cash to an amount which has since been found to be \$690,000. "His thefts have been going on for a long

making amount

ALLEGED COMPACT BETWEEN LEO-POLD AND THOS. F. WALSH. The Latter's Representative Spoils the

Story by Pronouncing It

Partnership with a real live potentate is

a distinction that has never been enjoyed

by an American citizen, but if cabled re-

ports from Paris appearing in two New

York papers today were true this peculiar

position would be occupied by Mr. Thomas

F. Walsh of Colorado and Washington, D.

formed a business alliance with no less a

personage than King Leopold of Belgium,

who is popularly credited with being pos-

sessed of as many, if not more, millions

The story from Europe printed in two

New York papers today, and practically

the same, recounts that Charles Nagel-

mackers, Belgian president of the Interna

tional Sleeping Car Company, brought Mr. Walsh and King Leopoid together, the original object being to secure the investment by Mr. Walsh in the securities of the car

Inspired Leopold's Interest.

Mr. Walsh, it is alleged, when he learn-

ed that the proposed investment provided

a return of 3 per cent briefly dismissed the

proposition by stating that he could not

consider 3 or 4 per cent when he handled

his capital so that it earned 10 and 12

Upon hearing this, according to the ca-

bled stories mentioned, King Leopold, who is said to have made large amounts of money in the development of the Congo

country, became anxious to find a way to

Invest some of his idle capital to as remunerative a purpose, and inquired of Mr. Walsh how he could do so. The American, mindful of the Belgian king's whims

and caprices, was disinclined to convey the

Allegations Declared Absurd

The representative of Mr. Walsh in Wash-

"The story is absurd on the face of it,"

me that the statement of such a sale was untrue. He had been approached by parties who considered its purchase and had given them opportunity to examine the property and had received an offer which he declined."

Mr. Wickersham had just received a let-

ter from Mr. Walsh stating he would sail for this country October 27 on the St. Paul and be in Washington in three weeks from the date of the letter.

Major Walter Reed, surgeon, now in this

city, has been detailed to represent the

medical department of the army at the

meeting of the American Public Health

Association at Indianapolis, October 22 to

Acting Assistant Surgeon P. H. Luding-

Acting Assistant Surgeon D. J. Johnson

has been ordered from Plattsburg barracks to Roxbury, Mass., for annulment of his

contract.

Major W. B. Schoffeld, additional pay-

master, volunteers, has been relieved from

Suggests Approval.

ings, has invited the attention of the Engi-

neer Commissioner, Captain Beach, to a

report of Mr. Harold Davis, superintendent

of the construction of the colored manual

training school, in which Mr. Davis recom-

mended the substitution of steel columns

for cast-iron columns specified for the base-

ment. Inasmuch as the carrying capacity, says Mr. Brady, of the steel columns is greater than that of the cast-iron ones,

and as no additional expense to the Dis-

trict is involved, he suggests the adoption of Mr. Davis' recommendation, a suggestion Captain Beach has approved.

Would Welcome Development.

Vice Consul Harrison at Asuncion reports

to the State Department that the Para-

guayan government has granted a valuable

concession to the Paraguay Development

Company, incorporated under the laws of

New Jersey, and having its headquarters

at Philadelphia, and would undoubtedly

give other concessions to reliable concerns

The concession is to light the city of As-

uncion and to run tram cars by electric

power, the service to be in operation within

"The country needs transportation facili-

ties to enable it to exploit its natural re-

sources, and I feel confident," says the

consul, "that the government would grant

liberal concessions to railways. Industries

are unknown in the country, and the gov-ernment would welcome and protect the de-

relopment of almost anything in this line."
The New Jersey company is represented in Paraguay by Mr. Carlos R. Santos, late del-

egate to the Philadelphia museum exposi-

Baltimore Markets.

Government Bonds.

Provisions, Grain and Cotton Markets.

Open. 10.60 6.80 6.12

High. 10.60 6.87 6.12

Close. 71%-3 72%-1 37A 35 21% 21%-7

CHICAGO, October 24.—Grain:
Open. High. Low.
Wheat—Nov. 72% 72½ 71½
Dec. 73½ 73¼ 72
Corn—Nov. 37% 37% 37
Dec. 35½ 35% 35
Oats—Nov. 21½ 21½ 21½
Dec. 21½ 21½ 21½
CHICAGO October 24 —Proxisions.

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3 per cents, coupon, 1908-1928...
4 per cents, registered, 1907...
4 per cents, coupon, 1907...
4 per cents, registered, 1925...
5 per cents, coupon, 1925...
5 per cents, registered, 1904...
1 per cents, coupon, 1904...
1 New 2s...

two years from date of concession.

Mr. John B. Brady, the inspector of build-

ton has been ordered to duty as transport

surgeon on the transport Kilpatrick.

on account of sickness

than Mr. Walsh himself.

and even 20 per cent.

company.

partner.

C. According to these Mr. Walsh has

celpts and listed with previous day's exchanges, the amount of morning additions being reduced that much so that the sum of the two aggregated the correct amount. A change in the slip by Alvord later in the day caused inquiry and convention to be day caused inquiry and comparison to be made at the clearing house, when it was discovered that the two items of 'previous' day's exchanges' and 'morning additions' did not correspond with the list checked by the examiner, and a count of the current day's each and abooks in horse of third the examiner, and a count of the current day's cash and checks in hands of third teller revealed a shortage of \$690,000. The shortage seems to have been about \$100,000 two years ago and has been increased gradually since that time, the teller concealing the same in the morning additions, which always amount to much more than the amount of his shortage and never enter into the count of the preceding day's cash.

"There is no way to have a check on the morning additions to the exchanges except by counting the note teller's cash and checks twice, or to begin examinations of cash in the evening, which is otherwise objectionable.

"The bank has charged out the amount of the shortage without impairing its surplus or undivided profits account.
"A further examination of Alvord's accounts by the officers of the bank shows counts by the officers of the bank shows that his stealings have been going on for several years. Fourteen months ago he took a two weeks' vacation, and an examination of his tickets preceding his going and after his return shows that he covered his shortage while absent by making a number of charges to out-of-town accounts, and credited back the amounts on his return before the monthly statements were sent out. The amount of his shortage were sent out. The amount of his shortage at various periods in the past seems to have gone up and down, and it is probable this is due to the fact that whenever he had reason to expect any investigation of his cash or a periodical visit from the examiner, he would doctor it by means of these false charges against large accounts. In the present instance the examiner went into the bank a month ahead of the usual six months' period, the last preceding examination having been made May 15, 1900, and this unexpected visit prevented a manipulation of the figures by Alvord and led to a discovery of the defalcation.

"This theft could probably have been pre-

desired information, whereupon, so the story goes, Leopold began to overwhelm the American with social attentions to such effect that Mr. Walsh finally agreed to become the king's financial adviser and vented by a rotation of the clerical force of the bank, thus placing each department under the supervision of different persons successively. "There is no way to accurately check the

ington is Mr. T. A. Wickersham. A Star accounts of an employe if he has access to the succeeding day's cash from which to make good his shortage of the current day reporter cailed upon him this afternoon to ascertain if there was any foundation for the report. (and this is what Alvord has always had), "The story is absurd on the face of it," said Mr. Wickersham. "Mr. Walsh is endeavoring to get as much relief as possible from business responsibilities instead of assuming new ones. He is not seeking 10 per cent investments, but is very partial to government bonds, paying 2 per cent, and gets all of them he can. It is true he has made investments in real estate here, but I take care of those. Neither does Mr. Walsh desire or contemplate entering upon any new mining ventures. He owns one mine now, which it was recently reported he had sold. In a recent letter from him he wrote me that the statement of such a sale was and has also the opportunity to hold back credits for a longer time than the day on the letters inclosing items are re ceived.

#### BIG REPUBLICAN RALLY. Col. Pearre and Others Speak at Longconing.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. CUMBERLAND, Md., October 24.-The republican demonstration in Lonaconing last night was the largest ever witnessed there. There was a torchlight procession, which included the local club of 250 members, 300 Rough Riders from Westernport and Piedmont and seventy-five colored republicans in uniform from the same place. The Piedmont and Lonaconing bands were also in line. The procession included nearly 700 men, and as it marched red fire was burned and four cannon boom d from surrounding hills. One hundred pounds of powder were consumed. The crowd on the streets was said to have been the largest which had ever congregated there, it being estimated that there were between 3,000 and 4,000 in the various throngs which lined the principal thoroughfares of the town. Six principal thoroughtares of the town. Six hundred people got in Evans' Hall, representing only one-fourth of the number that tried to get in. Lonaconing has always been a great republican center, but after the recent strike there came rumors of disaffection. The leaders believe, judging affection. The leaders believe, judging from last night's enthusiasm, that this will all have disappeared by election day.

Hector Cochrane presided. The speakers were Terrence V. Powderly, commissioner of immigration; Charles H. Litchman, former general secretary of the Knights of Labor, and Col. George A. Pearre.

Labor, and Col. George A. Pearre.
Mr. Powderly was greeted with great enthusiasm. He discussed the tariff and money questions and the relationship between the policies of the republican party and the interests of the laboring man.
Mr. Litchman compared the records of Col. Pearre and his opponent, Major Little, on the labor question, contending that the

master, volunteers, has been relieved from duty in the Philippines and ordered to report to General Chaffee in Pekin for assignment to duty.

Major W. J. Turner, 6th Infantry, has been ordered to duty with recruits to sail on the Kilpatrick for Manila.

Lieut. Col. Wm. W. Wallace, 2d Cavalry, stationed in Cuba, has been granted two months' additional leave of absence on account of sickness. The ovation tendered Col. Pearre, who spoke last, was the greatest ever tendered political candidate in Lot a political candidate in Londoning. Atthough he spoke until after 11 o'clock the hall was as well filled at the conclusion of his speech as at the start. Col. Pearre denied a number of canards about his position on matters pertaining to labor, and his exceptations of his traducers were received with storms of applause.

## Old Age and Death.

From the New York Herald. Former Secretary of State Sherman is reported to have died of simple old age. In spite of an extraordinary busy career, with its incidental mental strain, he is said to have had no distinctly organic disease. The end was simply a general stoppage of the entire vital machinery. The time limit with him appeared very near the four score

Although no positive malady may have existed, the explanation of death is plainly evident in the slow and insidious degenera-tive changes that affect the more important tive changes that affect the more important organs during advancing years. After a certain period, variously estimated from fifty-five to sixty years of age, the general system begins to demand less from nutrisystem begins to demand less from nutrition than formerly, and physical decline gives notice of its coming. The fires burn more slowly, less carbon is consumed and ashes hinder the draught.

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The usual elasticity of tissue is replaced by the rigidity from earthy deposits in muscle, artery and joint, while fatty degeneration of brain, kidney and heart adds its crippling influences to more vital functions. "The lean and slippered pantaloon" flutters its own significant sign of shriveling shank and loss of strength due to the combined causes named, and last of all comes "second childishness and mere oblivion."

The lengthened life we so much desire has, like all other blessings, its waiting penalties. It is only a question of more time when, with the progressive physical changes, there is corresponding feebleness of mind and body. Fortunate then is the one for whom a kindly fate draws the timely dividing line between the realized happiness of spared years and the weighted sorrow of their wasting decrepitude.

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#### Her Knowledge of Chinese. From the Kansas City World.

A young woman at a watering place this summer made a reputation as a profound linguist in a rather odd manner. She called one day at a Chinese laundry, where she had left a shirt waist, but it could not be found, as there was no entry in the book of hierogliphs corresponding to her pink slip. After a half hour's search the Chinaman found the entry. A mistake had been made, the entry crossed out and a new set of hieroglyphs in tiny characters placed below. She was told that the waist would be laundered immediately and she could

get it the next day.

The next day the young woman called for it, accompanied by three other young women. At the seashore the excitement of a visit to the Chinese laundry is not to be despised. The Chinaman to whom the pink despised. The Chinaman to whom the pink slip was presented was not the laundryman of the day before, and he experienced the same difficulty in finding the identifying character, finally saying "Not in book." The girl answered calmly, "I can find it," and the Chinaman allowed her to take the book. Turning the leaves urtil she came to one that had an entry crossed out, with another in tiny characters under it, she handed it to the Chinaman. "There it is," and, to his surprise, he found it.

"You only lady I know spik Chinese, he said. And the other girls looked upon her with admiration.

## Not a Doubt of It.

#### From the Chicago Tribune. "Don't you believe," asked the girl in the pink shirt watst, "that it makes a pathetic

election still more pathetic to recite it in time. The plan of concealing them and making the cash on hand agree with the amount for which he was accountable, as shown by the books, was to take out of the control of the control of the control of the control of the cash of the ca

## A KING FOR A PARTNER FINANCE AND TRADE

Stocks Reached a Higher Level Again Today.

## GOOD BUYING IN LONDON

Standard Railroad Shares Took Lead in the Demand.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

NEW YORK, October 24.-Higher prices from London and an increased demand from commission houses resulted in a strong opening in today's stock market. The familiar process of realizing in one

group while new purchases were being made in another was again in evidence. During the opening hour the selling in Northern Pacific assumed larger proportions, and traders were led to believe that yesterday's sharp advance had exhausted the demand. Around 57 the decline was halted and all

offerings quickly absorbed. Until the tendency to realize had been overcome no effort was made to improve upon yesterday's prices. Toward midday, however, the de mand was resumed, and the best prices of yesterday excelled by a fraction. The friction between this company and Great Northern has been adjusted, and in consequence new high prices are predicted for both properties. Union Pacific, after a period of comparative neglect, was taken in hand, and sold up over 63, making a new

The Coal shares were in better demand as the result of increasing confidence in an early settlement of the strike. The Reading issues were improved under buying of a mixed character in which a fair volume of commission business was reported. Pennsylvania was marked up under buying of a good character, but profit-taking was in evidence at the advance. The soft coal roads were more active and under the leadership of Baltimore and

Ohio advanced easily.

The issues named have not had the advance originally predicted by the inside banking interest, but the delay in the movement has not shaken confidence in its ultimate appearance,
The low-priced stocks which have been

neglected heretofore are now being sought out in the general scheme of lifting the level of the entire market. In this con-nection Ontario and Western has attracted some attention, and in certain quarters vague hints of a reduced capitalization, accompanying benefits, are to heard.

The arguments are fragmentary, but

those who make them buy the stock and to this extent at least pending favorable developments are confirmed. Other so-called cheap stocks are doing about as well in the market, but the demand is less significant. The industrial group was active, but

failed to attract much attention, except American Sugar, in which a strong pool was said to be operating. Pacific Mail was advanced under the

rumors of a change in ownership, the Vanderbilts being credited with large pur-chases in the interest of control. Recent rumors have invariably sought to make the name of Vanderbilt a fulcrum for lift-ing the entire market to its new level. Uniform denials are regarded as a mere detail. The banking interests now behind

the market are really using the elections as the basis for their activity.

There is a difference of opinion as to which side of November 6 will witness the culmination of the advance. Conservative judges are inclined to the belief that the retrograde movement will follow the elec-tions, and that the average of the week before will be higher than the average level

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

New York Stock Market. Furnished by W. B. Hibbs & Co., bankers and brokers, 1419 F st., members New York stock exchange, correspondents Messrs. Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., New York.

Lieut. Col. James R. Campbell, 30th Volunteer Infantry, has been granted one month's additional leave of absence.

Capt. A. B. Foster, 19th Infantry, has been granted six months' leave of absence.

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Sales-regular call, 12 o'clock m.—Washington Loan and Trust Co., 10 at \*169, 4 at 160 cash, 10 at \*159, 10 at \*1584, 10 at \*158%, 10 at \*158, 10 at \*1584, 10 at \$150, 10 at \$

Washington Stock Exchange.

Baltimore Markets.

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Baltimore, \$2.35a\$2.45; do. extra. \$2.55a\$2.90; do. family, \$3.30a\$3.00; whiter wheat patent, \$3.80a\$4; spring patent, \$3.85a\$4.10; spring wheat straight, \$3.5a\$3.85; receipts, 24.835 barrels; exports, 1.428 barrels. Wheat steady; spot and the month, 70½a70½, November, 73a73½; December, 79a79½; steamer No. 2 red, 68½a68½; receipts, 24.535 bushels; exports, 166,130 bushels; southern by sample, 62a71½; do. on grade, 69½a \$71½. Cern easy; mixed, spot and the month, 44a 44½; November, old, 43½a43½; new, 42½a43; November or December, new or old, 40½a40½; January, 40½a40½; February, 40½a40½; steamer mixed, 42½a43; receipts, 146.376 bushels; southern white and yellow corn, 45a46. Oats dull; No. 2 white, 27 a27½; No. 2 mixed, 25; receipts, 30.441 bushels. Rye quiet; No. 2 nearby, 52; No. 2 western, 53a 53½; receipts, 4,270 bushels. Hay steady; No. 1 timothy, \$16.50. Grain freights quiet, rates steadily held, unchanged. Butter and eggs firm and unchanged. Cheese steady, unchanged. Sugar firm, unchanged. 10%.

District of Columbia Bonds.—6s, 1902, 30-year funding, 104 bid. 7s, 1901, water stock, 102 bid. 3.65s, 1924, funding, 120 bid.

Miscelianeous Bonds.—Capital Traction 4s, 1005 bid, 106%, asked. Washington Traction and Electric coll. 44;s, 65 bid, 68 asked. Metropolitan Railroad cert. indebt., A. 106 bid. Metropolitan Railroad cert. indebt., B. 106 bid. Columbia Railroad 6s, 112 bid. Columbia Railroad 2d mort. 5s, 109% bid. City and Suburban Railroad 2d mort. 5s, 109% bid. City and Suburban Railroad 5s, 100% bid. Washington Gas 6s, series A, 105 bid. Washington Gas 6s, series B, 105 bid. U. S. Electric Light cert. indebt., 8, 1005 bid. U. S. Electric Light cert. indebt., 6s, 100% bid. U. S. Electric Light cert. indebt., 6s, 100% bid. U. S. Electric Light cert. indebt., 6s, 100% bid. U. S. Electric Light cert. indebt., 6s, 100% bid. U. S. Electric Light cert. indebt., 6s, 100% bid. U. S. Electric Light cert. indebt., 6s, 100% bid. Osked. Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone con. 5s, 103 bid. Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone con. 5s, 103 bid. Washington Market 1st 6s, 110 bid. Masonic Hail Association 5s, 105 bid. American Graphophone deb. 5s, 104 asked.

National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washineton. 366 bid. 400 asked. Metropolitan, 625 bid. 675 asked. Central, 198 bid. Farmers and Mechanics, 212 bid. Second. 160 bid. Citzens, 150 bid. Columbia, 164 bid. Ceptral, 140 bid. Ceptral, 140 bid. Columbia, 164 bid. Ceptral, 140 bid. Columbia, 164 bid. Second. 100 bid. 174 asked.

Safe Deposit and Trust Companies.—National Safe Deposit and Trust Companies.—National Safe. 10%. District of Columbia Bonds.—6s, 1902, 30-year funding 104 bid. 7s, 1901, water stock, 102 bid.

bid. Capital. 140 bid. West End. 110% bid. 17adasked.
Safe Deposit and Trust Companies.—National Safe
Deposit and Trust. 140 bid. 145 asked. Washington
Loan and Trust. 156 bid. 160 asked. American Security and Trust. 198 bid. 199 asked. Washington
Safe Deposit. 72 bid.
Insurance Stocks.—Firemen's, 30 bid. Franklin,
40 bid. 30 asked. Metropolitan, 80 bid. 90 asked.
Corcoran, 50 bid. Potomac, 68 bid, 75 asked. Arlington, 125 bid. 140 asked. German-American, 216
bid. National Union, 10 bid, 12½ asked. Columbia,
10½ bid. Riggs, 7½ bid. People's, 5½ bid. 6½ asked.
Title Insurance Stocks.—Columbia Title, 4½ bid.
Washington Title, 2½ bid. District Title, 3½ bid.
Railroad Stocks.—Capital Traction, 103½ bid. 105½ asked.
Clity and Suburban, 27 asked.
Gas Stocks.—Washington Gas, \*53½ bid. Georgetown Gas, 50 bid.
Telephone Stocks.—Chesapeake and Potomac, 67
bid. 60 asked. Penusylvania, 45 asked.
Miscellaneous Stocks.—Mergenthaler Linotype,
1863½ bid. 187½ asked. Lenston Monotype, 11½ bid,
12% asked. American Grapbophone com., 10 bid,
10½ asked. Pneumatic Gun Carriage, 10 bid, 113
asked. Packed.